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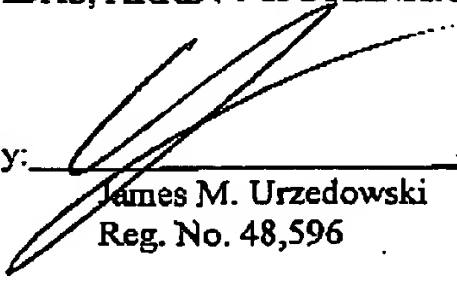
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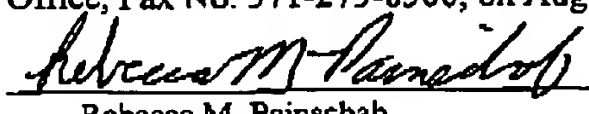
  
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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated July 6, 2005.

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Please amend the application as follows: